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Please amend the claims to read as follows:

 (currently amended) A CVD precursor composition for forming a thin film dielectric on a substrate, such precursor composition including at least one metalloamide source reagent compound of the <u>having a formula</u>:

$M(NR^{\dagger}R^{\frac{1}{2}})_{*}M(NR_{1})_{*}(NR'_{2})_{*}$

wherein M is selected from the group consisting of: $\frac{Z_F}{R}$, Hf, Y, La, Lanthanide series elements, Ta, Ti, and Al; N is nitrogen each of R^1 and R^2 R and R is same or different and is independently selected from the group consisting of H, aryl, perfluoroaryl, C_1 - C_8 alkyl, C_1 - C_8 perfluoroalkyl, and alkylsilyl; and x is from 2 1 to 5; y is from 1 to 5; and x+y is equal to the oxidation state of metal M. with the previous that at least two of x are different.

- 2. (previously amended) The CVD precursor composition according to claim 1, wherein at least one of x is NMe₂.
- 3. (previously amended) The CVD precursor composition according to claim 1, wherein at least one of x is NEt₂.
- 4. (canceled)
- 5. (original) The CVD precursor composition according to claim 1, wherein M is Hf.
- 8. (original) The CVD precursor composition according to claim 1, wherein the precursor composition further comprises a solvent medium selected from the group consisting of: ethers, glymes, tetraglymes, amines, polyamines, alcohols, glycols, aliphatic hydrocarbon solvents, aromatic hydrocarbon solvents, cyclic ethers and combinations of two or more of the foregoing.
- 9. (currently amended) The CVD precursor composition according to claim 4-5, wherein the precursor composition further comprises a solvent medium selected from the group consisting of: ethers, glymes, tetraglymes, amines, polyamines, alcohols, glycols, aliphatic hydrocarbon solvents, aromatic hydrocarbon solvents, cyclic ethers and combinations of two or more of the foregoing.





- 10. (previously amended) The CVD precursor composition according to claim 8, wherein the solvent is octane.
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- 11. (original) The CVD precursor composition according to claim 1, wherein the metalloamide source reagent compound is injected by liquid delivery into a chemical vapor deposition chamber.
- 12. (original) The CVD precursor composition according to claim 1, wherein the metalloamide source reagent compounds is delivered by bubbler into a chemical vapor deposition chamber.
- 16. (original) The CVD precursor composition according to claim 1, wherein the precursor composition comprises multiple metalloamide source reagent compounds.
- 37. (currently amended) A CVD precursor composition for forming a thin film dielectric on a substrate, such precursor composition including a vapor source reagent mixture including a metalloamide source reagent compound of the having a formula:

$M(NR^4R^2)_x M(NR_2)_x(NR'_2)_y$

wherein M is selected from the group consisting of: $Z_{\overline{+}}$, Hf, Y, La, Lanthanide series elements, Ta, $T_{\overline{+}}$, and Al; N is nitrogen each of $R^{\overline{+}}$ and $R^{\overline{-}}$ and $R^{\overline{-}}$ is same or different and is independently selected from the group consisting of H, aryl, perfluoroaryl, C_1 - C_8 alkyl, C_1 - C_8 perfluoroalkyl, and alkylsilyl; and x is from 2 1 to 5; y is from 1 to 5; and x+y is equal to the oxidation state of metal M, with the proviso that at least two of x are different.

86. (previously added, currently amended) A CVD precursor composition for forming a thin film dielectric on a substrate, such precursor composition including a metalloamide source reagent compound selected from the group consisting of: Zr(NMe₂)₂(NPr₂)₂, and Zr(NEt₂)₂(NPr₂)₂.